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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE NEARS FOR SAN LUIS RESERVOIR
AQUATIC ADVENTURE CAMP**

SACRAMENTO – Final registration for the first annual San Luis Reservoir Aquatic Adventure Camp/Boating and Waterway Safety Program is Friday, May 28, 2004.

Sponsored by the Department of Water Resources (DWR), the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Los Banos Recreation Office, the City of Gustine, and the California Roundtable on Recreation, Parks and Tourism, the camp will be held from July 19 to July 30 and will accommodate 40 boys and girls from Gustine and Los Banos, ages 10 to 15.

The first Aquatic Adventure Camp was held three years ago in Chico and Oroville following a recommendation from the State Water Project Recreation Coordination Committee. Last year, the project received the “Best Innovative Programming” award from the California Association of Recreation & Park Districts at its annual conference in Redwood City.

Developed primarily for at-risk youngsters in cities located along the State Water Project, the program welcomes all young people. The event’s main focus is on at-risk youth because statistics indicate that they represent the highest category of drowning victims in California’s lakes and reservoirs.

Parents of youngsters from Los Banos and Gustine interested in attending the camp are encouraged to contact Chandra Brace at the Gustine City Hall (209-854-6471) or Megan Goin at the Los Banos Parks and Recreation Office (209-827-7034 ex. 18) by May 28.

The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs.

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